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Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed December 26, 2008. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of each of the rejections of the outstanding Office Action, and request allowance of all the claims pending herein. Inasmuch as the three-month shortened statutory period is set in the Office Action to expire on March 26, 2009, this Amendment is filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination and a Request for One-Month Extension of Time. Should any extension of time or other fees be required to maintain pendency of the application, however, the same is hereby requested and authorization is hereby provided to charge any fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.